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FILED IN THE U.S. DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

10 HARVEY MADDUX,

Plaintiff,

V.

14 SHERIFF SPOKANE COUNTY, CHIEF 15 OF SIU AND/OR DOC GANG TASK 16 FORCE, CHIEF OF SPOKANE VALLEY

17 POLICE DEPT and POLICE OFFICER

Defendants.

No. 2:21-CV-00313-SAB

ORDER DISMISSING **COMPLAINT WITHOUT PREJUDICE**

Before the Court is Plaintiff Harvey Maddux's Motion to Voluntarily Dismiss Complaint, ECF No. 16. The motion was considered without oral argument. By Order filed March 14, 2022, the Court had directed Plaintiff, a former prisoner, to 24 file a new application to proceed in forma pauperis or to pay the full \$402.00 filing 25 fee, and extended Plaintiff's deadline to either amend or voluntarily dismiss his complaint to April 13, 2022. ECF No. 15.

By Order filed January 5, 2022, the Court had granted Plaintiff leave to 28 proceed in forma pauperis while he was facing charges and confined at the Eastern

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State Hospital. ECF No. 12. On February 16, 2022, Plaintiff advised the Court that he was residing in Spokane, Washington. ECF No. 14.

On March 18, 2022, Plaintiff filed the present motion and requested oral argument. ECF No. 16. Plaintiff has filed nothing further. The Court has determined that oral argument is not necessary pursuant to Eastern District of Washington Local Civil Rule 7(i)(3)(B)(iii), and therefore, the Court considered the motion on the date signed below. Plaintiff has a right to voluntarily dismiss the case under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a)(1)(A)(i). Consequently, the Court grants the motion.

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

- 1. Plaintiff's Motion to Voluntarily Dismiss Complaint, ECF No. 16, is **GRANTED**.
 - 2. The above-captioned matter is **DISMISSED** without prejudice.
 - 3. The District Court Executive is directed to **CLOSE** the file.

IT IS SO ORDERED. The Clerk of Court is directed to enter this Order and Judgment of Dismissal, furnish copies to Plaintiff at his last known address, and terminate all pending hearing dates and deadlines.

DATED this 27th day of April 2022.



Stanley A. Bastian Chief United States District Judge